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For:

ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 25, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please add the following new claim:

8. (New) An electric power steering apparatus, comprising:

an electric motor for steering assistance;

a worm shaft on which a worm is disposed;

a steering shaft on which a worm wheel is disposed and to which a rotary motion of said electric motor is transmitted through said worm shaft; and

a biasing member biasing, via a bearing, one of said worm shaft and said worm

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